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In the application of:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Box Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 14, 2000. This extension will extend the time the response is due from August 14, 2000 to January 14, 2001 (Sunday)/January 16, 2001.

- A five month(s) extension is requested; the extension fee is \$1,890.00.
- Other: Check in the amount of \$3,818.00 (Filing Fee \$710.00; Excess Total Claims \$738.00; Excess Independent Claims \$80.00; Multiple Claims Fee -

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\$270.00; Declaration Surcharge - \$130.00; Five Month Extension Fee - \$1,890.00).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 420522000100. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 16, 2001

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